

Supplementary Information

Fragment-based modelling of single stranded RNA bound to RNA recognition motif containing proteins

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Table S1. Sequence identity (%) between the RRM domains in the benchmark.

PDB		1B7F		1CVJ		2MGZ		2YH1		3NNH		4BS2		4NOT	
		RRM	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	2
1B7F	1	100	38	34	29	29	24	19	31	21	21	27	21	21	24
	2	38	100	26	24	28	28	25	29	32	32	25	23	19	24
1CVJ	1	34	26	100	31	27	22	17	19	25	25	27	27	16	16
	2	29	24	31	100	24	30	17	29	27	27	23	13	14	26
2MGZ	1	29	28	27	24	100	28	24	20	25	25	30	27	20	19
	2	24	28	22	30	28	100	13	26	36	36	32	30	8	28
2YH1	1	20	25	17	17	24	13	100	18	18	18	19	24	17	13
	2	31	29	19	29	20	26	18	100	23	23	21	18	13	20
3NNH	1	21	32	25	27	25	36	18	23	100	100	25	27	14	20
	2	21	32	25	27	25	36	18	23	100	100	25	27	14	20
4BS2	1	27	25	27	23	30	32	19	23	25	25	100	24	16	15
	2	21	23	27	13	27	30	24	18	27	27	24	100	11	17
4NOT	2	21	19	16	14	20	8	17	13	14	14	16	11	100	7
	3	24	24	16	26	19	28	13	20	20	20	15	17	7	100

Table S2. List of the 850 PDB structures used for building of the fragment library.

Table S3. Index of the anchored nucleotides in the RNA-RRM complexes structures.

	RRM 1		RRM2	
	RNP-2	RNP-1	RNP-2	RNP-1
1B7F	2	3	No aromatic	9
1CVJ	2	3	5	7
2MGZ	5	6	10	11
2YH1	3	4	6	7
3NNH	4	Exotic rotamer	9	10
4BS2	No aromatic	5	8	9
4NOT	No aromatic	4	10	11

The numbering of a RRM refers to the 5' (RRM1) or 3' (RRM2) part of the RNA that it binds, and not to their order in the protein sequence. The indexes refer to the nucleotide sequence that was docked, I. e. after removal of the non-bounded nucleotide from the PDB structures.

Table S4. RMSD between each bound fragment of the benchmark and the closest conformer of the corresponding sub-library, after withdrawal of the bound form from the sub-library if present.

	1cvj	1b7f	2mgz	2yh1	3nnh	4bs2	4not
frag. 1	1.73	0.92	0.37	0.27	0.73	0.21	1.45
frag. 2	0.43	0.76	0.44	0.43	0.42	0.17	1.84
frag. 3	0.25	0.57	0.67	0.18	1.38	0.45	1.08
frag. 4	0.19	0.51	0.53	0.71	0.61	0.32	1.20
frag. 5	1.20	0.85	0.68	0.28	0.73	0.55	1.65
frag. 6	0.95	1.03	0.22	0.44	0.53	0.42	0.80
frag. 7		0.45	0.29		0.35	0.53	0.67
frag. 8			0.66		0.59	0.58	0.89
frag. 9			0.58				1.53
frag. 10			0.74				1.93
frag. 11							2.17

Table S5. Closest pose and number of hits ($\text{RMSD} \leq 2 \text{ \AA}$) in the top-scored docking poses for each anchored fragments, compared to the closest conformer in library after perfect fitting to the bound form, and to the conformer corresponding to best docking pose after perfect fitting to the bound form.

	Docking run	Docking			RMSD(Å)after fitting		RMSD (Å, coarse-grain) of the predicted anchor(s)
		Min RMSD(Å)	Nb hits	Nb poses	Closest conformer in library	Conformer of the best docking pose	
1B7F	Frag 1 AMB	1.5	3	1000	0.9	0.9	1.0 – 1.3
	Frag 2 AMF	1.0	20	1000	0.8	0.8	1.0 – 1.3
	Frag 3 AF	1.3	22	10000	0.6	0.6	1.3
	Frag 7 AB	0.8	73	10000	0.4	0.4	1.4
1CVJ	Frag 1 AMB	2.2	0	1000	1.7	2.0	1.0 – 3.2
	Frag 2 AMF	1.9	2	1000	0.4	1.5	1.0 – 3.2
	Frag 3 AFB	1.8	1	100	0.3	0.9	3.2 – 0.8
	Frag 4 AM	1.3	1	1000	0.2	0.2	0.8
	Frag 5 AFB	1.7	4	100	1.2	1.5	0.8 – 1.4
	Frag 6 AM	1.3	1	1000	0.9	0.9	1.4
2MGZ	Frag 3 AB	1.7	12	10000	0.7	1.5	1.6
	Frag 4 AMB	1.1	6	1000	0.5	0.6	1.6 – 1.4
	Frag 5 AMF	1.0	7	1000	0.7	0.7	1.6 – 1.4
	Frag 6 AF	0.9	11	10000	0.2	0.2	1.4
	Frag 8 AB	2.4	0	10000	0.7	1.0	1.2
	Frag 9 AMB	1.0	16	1000	0.6	0.6	1.2 – 1.4
2yh1	Frag 1 AB	1.2	10	10000	0.3	0.3	1.3
	Frag 2 AMB	0.7	13	1000	0.4	0.4	1.3 – 1.7
	Frag 3 AMF	0.8	7	1000	0.2	0.2	1.3 – 1.7
	Frag 4 AFB	0.9	1	100	0.7	0.7	1.7 – 1.8
	Frag 5 AMB	0.8	23	1000	0.3	0.3	1.8 – 1.3
	Frag 6 AMF	1.4	28	1000	0.4	1.1	1.8 – 1.3
3NNH	Frag 2 AB	1.6	5	10000	0.4	1.0	1.3
	Frag 3 AM	1.6	9	1000	1.4	1.4	1.3
	Frag 4 AF	1.3	15	10000	0.6	0.6	1.3
	Frag 7 AB	1.6	10	10000	0.4	1.2	1.3
	Frag 8 AMB	1.1	9	1000	0.6	0.6	1.3 – 1.9
4BS2	Frag 3 AB	2.8	0	1000	0.5	2.3	3.2
	Frag 4 AM	2.5	0	1000	0.3	2.0	3.2
	Frag 5 AF	2.5	0	10000	0.5	2.3	3.2
	Frag 6 AB	1.0	16	10000	0.4	0.4	1.4
	Frag 7 AMB	1.0	6	1000	0.5	0.5	1.4 – 1.4
	Frag 8 AMF	1.1	12	1000	0.6	0.6	1.4 – 1.4
4NOT	Frag 2 AB	2.5	0	10000	1.8	2.0	1.4
	Frag 3 AM	1.6	6	1000	1.1	1.1	1.4
	Frag 4 AF	2.2	0	10000	1.2	1.3	1.4
	Frag 8 AB	1.3	69	10000	0.9	1.1	0.8
	Frag 9 AMB	2.3	0	1000	1.5	2.2	0.8 – 1.8
	Frag 10 AMF	2.5	0	1000	1.9	2.1	0.8 – 1.8
Unbound docking	Frag 11 AF	3.1	0	10000	2.2	2.6	1.8

1B7F	Frag 1 AMB	1.3	3	1000	0.9	0.9	1.3 – 0.9
	Frag 2 AMF	1.0	14	1000	0.8	0.8	1.3 – 0.9
	Frag 3 AF	1.0	15	10000	0.6	0.6	1.3
	Frag 7 AB	2.1	0	10000	0.4	1.7	1.3
2YH1	Frag 1 AB	1.6	14	10000	0.3	0.3	2.0
	Frag 2 AMB	0.8	13	1000	0.4	0.7	2.0 – 2.9
	Frag 3 AMF	1.3	6	1000	0.2	0.8	2.0 – 2.9
	Frag 4 AFB	1.0	1	1000	0.7	0.7	2.9 – 1.7
	Frag 5 AMB	1.3	15	1000	0.3	0.3	1.7 – 2.1
	Frag 6 AMF	1.1	23	1000	0.4	0.4	1.7 – 2.1

* The best docked conformer is also the closest conformer in library after perfect fitting.

Table S6. Closest pose and number of good solutions in the top-scored docking poses for each sub-anchored fragments, compared to the RMSDs of the closest sub-anchor (2 nucleotides), and of the closest conformer in library after perfect fitting.

	Docking run	Docking					Fitting
		Min RMSD (Å)	Hits	Nb poses	closest sub-anchor (Å)	Nb sub-anchors	Min RMSD (Å)
1B7F	Frag 4 SF	0.9	321	2.10^6	1.4	5183	0.5
	Frag 6 SB	1.2	413	2.10^6	0.8	5109	1.0
2MGZ	Frag 2 SB	1.1	71	2.10^6	1.5	6680	0.4
	Frag 7 SF	1.2	10	2.10^6	2.6	5735	0.3
3NNH	Frag 1 SB	3.4	0	2.10^6	1.9	5370	0.7
	Frag 5 SF	1.6	9	2.10^6	1.3	5127	0.7
	Frag 6 SB	1.2	6	2.10^6	1.9	5441	0.5
4BS2	Frag 2 SB	2.6	0	2.10^6	2.9	7027	0.2
4NOT	Frag 1 SB	2.3	0	2.10^6	2.9	5695	1.4
	Frag 5 SF	2.5	0	2.10^6	2.6	5688	1.7
	Frag 7 SB	0.9	7273	2.10^6	1.0	5688	0.8

Table S7. Closest pose and number of good solutions in the top-scored docking poses for each (sub-) sub-sub-anchored fragments, compared to the RMSDs of the closest sub-anchor and of the closest conformer in library after perfect fitting.

	Docking run	Docking						Fitting
		Min RMSD(Å)	Hits	Near-hits	Nb poses	Closest sub-anchor(Å)	Nb sub-anchors	Min RMSD (Å)
1B7F	Frag 5 SSF	1.1	122	665	2.10^6	1.1	10^4	0.9
	Frag 5 SSB	1.2	129	507	2.10^6	0.8	10^4	0.9
2MGZ	Frag 1 SSB	2.1	0	19	2.10^6	1.3	10^4	0.3
4BS2	Frag 1 SSB	4.2	0	0	2.10^6	4.3	10^4	0.2
4NOT	Frag 6 SSF	3.1	0	0	1.10^6	4.2	10^4	0.8
	Frag 6 SSB	1.6	267	13750	1.10^6	1.0	10^4	0.8

Table S8. Results of all-atoms chains building, before and after refinement of the 1000 top-ranked chains.

	Nucl.	Nb chains	Before refinement				After refinement				% improved models
			Min RMSD (Å)	% with RMSD			Min RMSD (Å)	% with RMSD			
				$\leq 2 \text{ \AA}$	$\leq 3 \text{ \AA}$	$\leq 4 \text{ \AA}$		$\leq 3 \text{ \AA}$	$\leq 4 \text{ \AA}$	$\leq 5 \text{ \AA}$	
1b7f	2-9	1000	1.6	3	16	51	1.7	3	18	56	66
1cvj	2-7	1000	1.8	11	99	99	1.8	14	99	99	94
2mgz	5-11	1000	1.4	9	13	89	1.5	5	13	93	50
2yh1	3-7	1000	0.8	11	14	24	1.0	12	15	42	67
3nnh	4-10	1000	2.8	0	0	27	2.7	0	0	30	82
4bs2	5-9	909	1.8	3	11	13	1.7	2	12	13	52
Unbound docking											
1b7f	2-9	1000	1.6	4	16	52	1.7	4	19	58	68
2yh1	2-7	1000	1.0	13	36	67	1.1	12	38	76	77

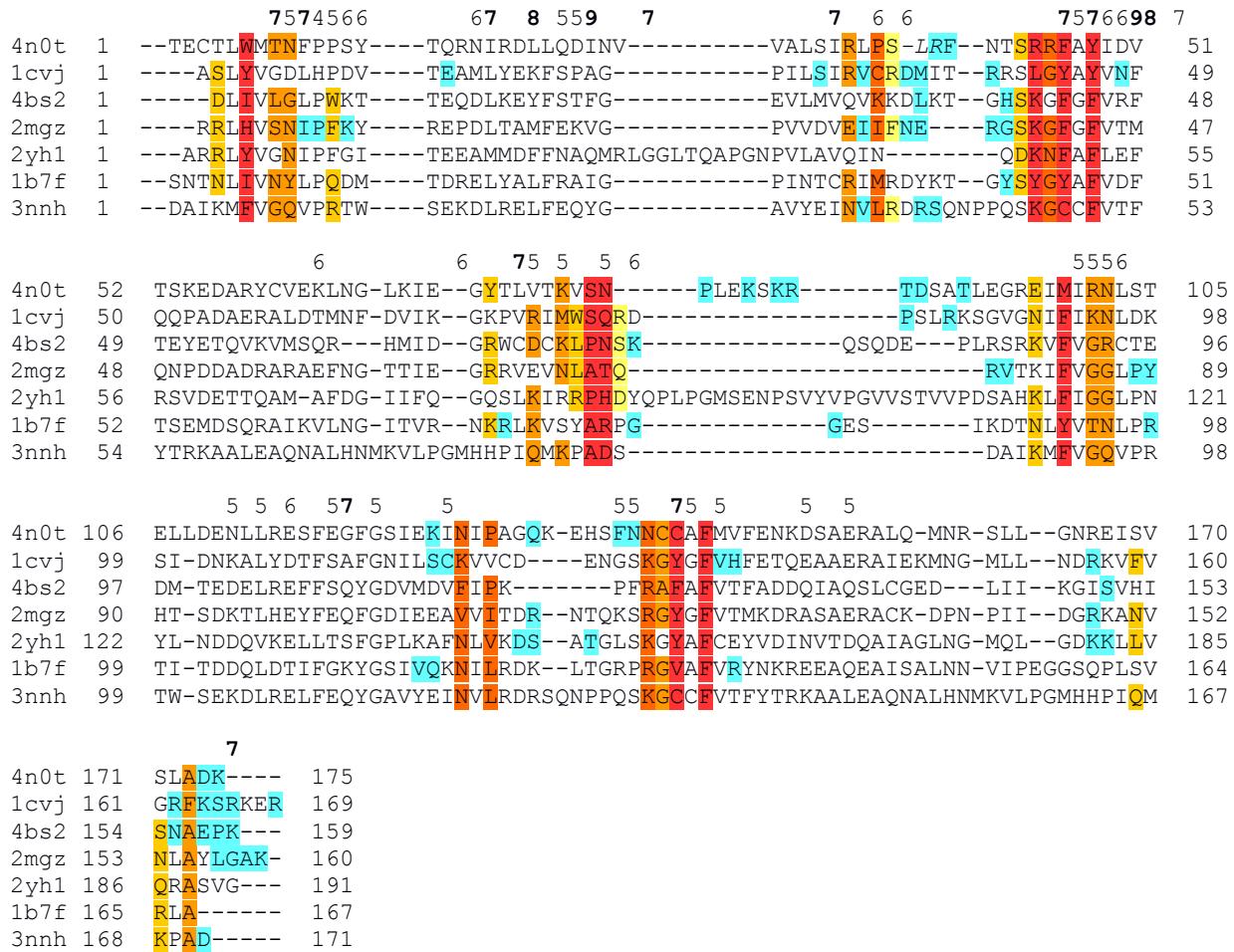


Figure S1. Sequence comparison of the binding sites of the proteins in the benchmark. The sequence structurally aligned with PROMALS3D (1) are coloured according to the number of proteins were it binds RNA (contact cutoff 4 Å). The conservation score *scorescons* (1) is reported on the 1st line.

(1) Pei, J. and Grishin, N. V. (2014) PROMALS3D: multiple protein sequence alignment enhanced with evolutionary and three-dimensional structural information. *Methods Mol. Biol. Clifton NJ*, **1079**, 263–271.

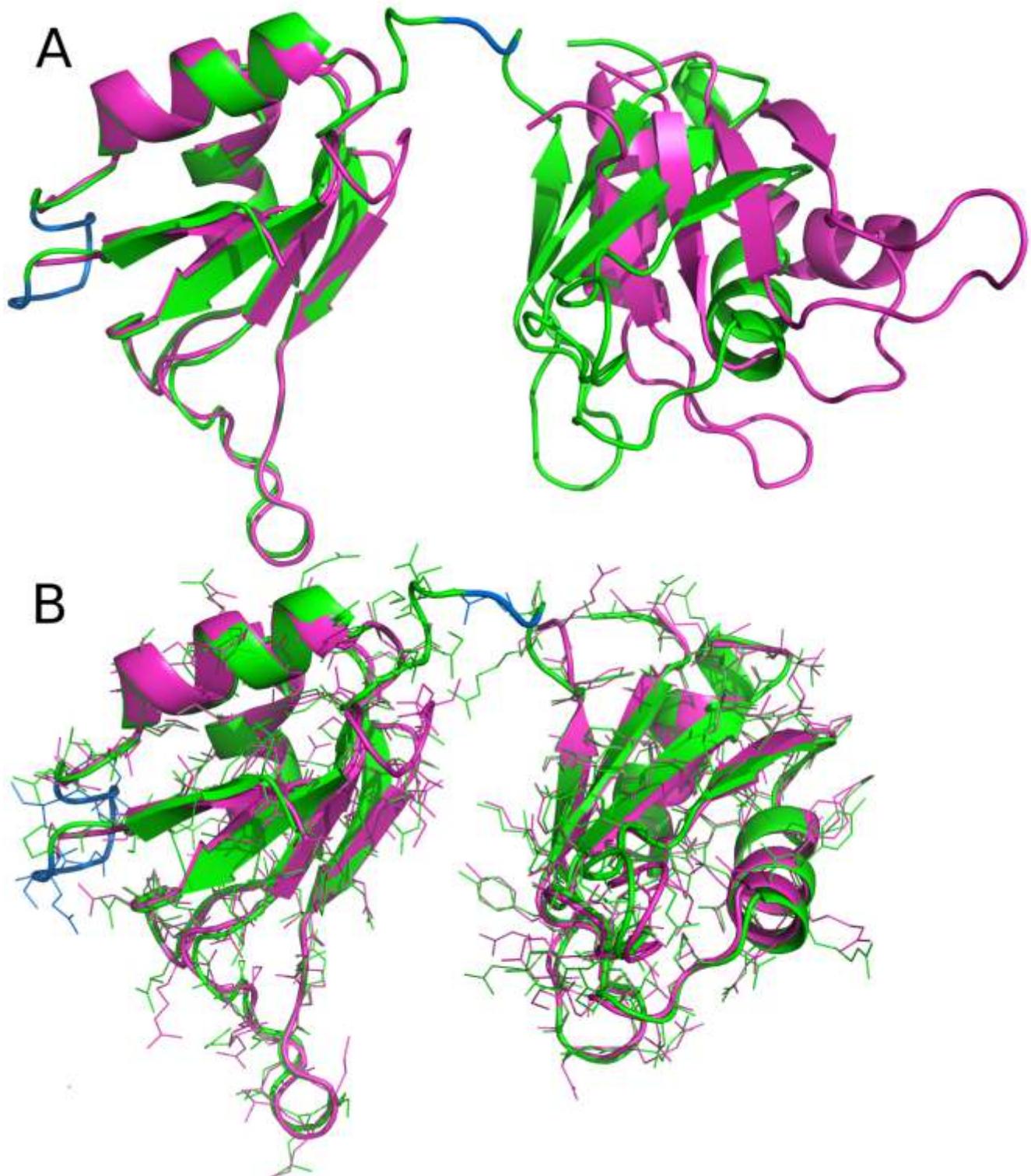


Figure S2. Differences between RNA-bound and unbound structures 1B7F and 3SXL. The bound and unbound structures are represented in green and magenta respectively. The parts resolved only in the bound structure are distinguished in blue. (A) The structures are aligned on their RMM1 domain. (B) Teach RRM domain of the unbound structure are aligned on the corresponding RRM domain of the unbound structure.